GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:213
ANSWERED ON:04.12.2001
COMPLETION OF HOUSES UNDER IAY
NIKHILANANDA SAR

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether despite incurring an expenditure of Rs. 1.53 crore till March 2000, for the construction of houses under the Indira Awas Yojana (IAY) the construction remained incomplete even after more than a decade;

(b) whether an expenditure of Rs. 41.44 lakhs has gone waste on trees planted under various Employment Generation Schemes; and

(c) if so, the steps taken or being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. VENKAIAH NAIDU)

(a) to (c) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement as referred to in Reply to Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 213 to be answered on 4.12.2001

In the light of the Comptroller and Auditor General Report No.4 of 2001 (Civil) that `Despite an expenditure of Rs.1.53 crore for construction of houses under Indira Awaas Yojana, the houses remain incomplete after ten years` and that the `Trees planted under various employment generation schemes were damaged due to poor maintenance and lack of monitoring, thus rendering the expenditure of Rs.41.44 lakhs as waste`, the matter was taken up by the Ministry of Rural Development with the Government of Orissa who intimated that a total number of 1079 Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY) houses were incomplete in the Districts of Sundargarh, Jharsuguda and Bargarh. The concerned Block Development Officers and Project Directors, DRDAs have been asked to verify the present position of the incomplete IAY houses. The Collectors of the Districts concerned have been directed to ensure early completion of the field inquiry.

2. As regards expenditure of Rs.41.44 lakhs on tree- plantation under Employment Generation Schemes, the Government of Orissa have intimated that the concerned Collectors have been asked to conduct field enquiry and submit the Report.